Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) Meeting Minutes January 27, 2011

1. Call to Order

Chair Grocott called the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) Meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

Members Present:

Karyl Matsumoto, Judi Mosqueda, Naomi Patridge, Cory Roay, Steve Schmidt, Frank Markowitz, Paul Grantham, Cathy Baylock, Ken Ibarra, Ian Bain, Marge Colapietro, Cathleen Baker, David Alfano

Staff/Guests Attending:

Tom Madalena, John Hoang, Steve Vanderlip, Pat Giorni, David O'Connell, Al Meckler, Caryl Gay, Lauren Ledbetter, Liz Song, Carlos Babcock, Steve Lubin, Mike Harding, Susan Wheeler

3. Public Comment On Items Not On The Agenda

Steve Vanderlip underscored the difficulty cyclists have crossing Highway 101. He provided a letter titled "Crossing Highway 101 by Bicycle in San Mateo County" detailing over-crossings on Highway 101.

Pat Giorni stated that she would like to see it the whole operation for Bike to Work Day go back to the Peninsula Traffic Congestion Relief Alliance (commute.org).

4. Minutes of October 28, 2010 Meeting

Motion: Member Colapietro moved/Member Mosqueda seconded approval of the October 28, 2010 minutes. Motion carried unanimously with member Alfano abstaining.

5. Update on the development of the San Mateo County Comprehensive Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

John Hoang, C/CAG staff, presented an update. The update discussed three elements, the countywide bikeway network, pedestrian focus areas and the implementation strategy. Staff has received input from the public. The administrative draft is completed and has been distributed to city staff and C/CAG has requested staff comments by January 21st.

Member Schmidt asked whether the overcrossing money is planning money. The answer was yes, it is planning money.

Member Alfano – Project ranking includes safety improvements that address collision history, is it only reported collisions? Answer was yes, only includes reported collisions.

Member Schmidt – One criteria that is not mentioned is Caltrain. It would be helpful to explain the hole in the East West Corridor on page 13 of the packet, which is due to Caltrain. He would

like the Alameda De Las Pulgas to be identified as a priority corridor.

Pat Giorni, member of the public, mentioned that the plan is a blue print provided by C/CAG that is used by 21 jurisdictions and that she wanted to take objection to the fact that a letter from the Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition (SVBC) stated that the BPAC is not a true BPAC.

Carlos Babcock, member of the public, from the Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition (SVBC) mentioned that SVBC provided a letter providing policy recommendations.

6. Recommendation for the Joint Call for Projects for San Mateo County Bicycle and Pedestrian Program FY 2012 and 2013

John Hoang presented this item and stated that the recommendation is for a 2-year funding cycle to align with the San Mateo County Transportation Authority (TA) bicycle and pedestrian program.

Member Colapietro mentioned that the schedule is of concern. It doesn't make sense that the workshop is three weeks out from the call for projects so we may want to revise.

Member Alfano mentioned that he is concerned about the timing of the applications to the BPAC.

Member Baylock mentioned that we should extend the offer to have the TA Selection Committee come to the BPAC presentation meeting.

Member Mosqueda stated that the scoring criteria for the Transportation Development Act (TDA) Program doesn't lend itself to score planning projects.

Motion was made by member Alfano and seconded by member Baker to limit the number of projects from each jurisdiction to three. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by member Ibarra and seconded by member Colapietro to approve the staff recommendation and to invite and strongly recommend that the TA Selection Committee attend the BPAC presentation meeting as well as the BPAC scoring meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Review and approval of the 2011 BPAC meeting calendar

Motion was made by member Schmidt and seconded by member Baylock to approve the 2011 BPAC meeting calendar. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Member Communications

None

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:11 pm.